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Applicants: Richard A. Brandt

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STRUCTURE**

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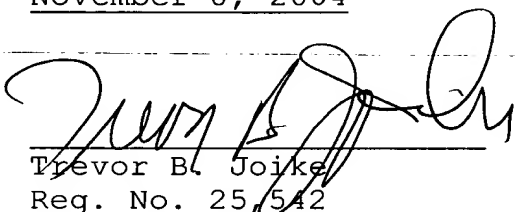
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INTRODUCTION

Claims 14-34 are now in the application. Old
claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, and 9-13 were rejected.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	*21	MINUS	**20	1	(X) X 9.00 () X 18.00	\$9.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 3	MINUS	3		() X 44.00 () X 88.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$150.00 () \$300.00 ONE TIME	\$0.00
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$9.00

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